

Introduction to Programming in C

(IS-FEE-10061S)

Białystok University of Technology
Faculty of Electrical Engineering
Academic year 2023/2024

Workshop no. 04 (21.03.2024)

Jarosław Forenc, PhD

Topics

- The for loop
- The increment (++) and decrement (--) operators
- The while loop
- The do ... while loop

Example: sum of numbers

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int sum, i;

    sum = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10;

    printf("The sum is: %d\n", sum);

    sum = 0;
    for (i=1; i<=100; i=i+1)
        sum = sum + i;

    printf("The sum is: %d\n", sum);

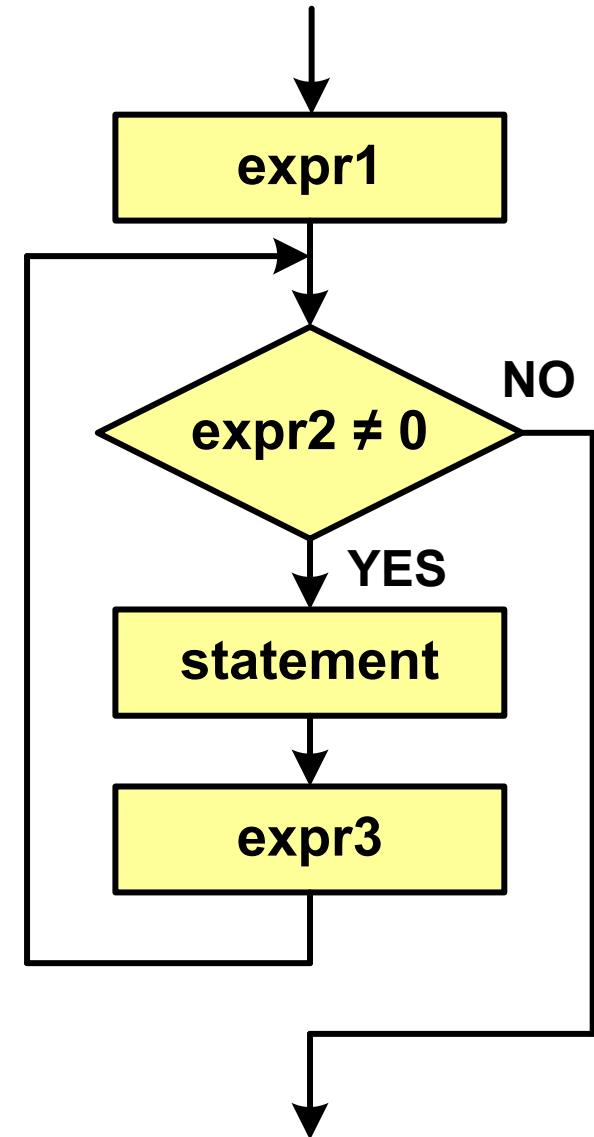
    return 0;
}
```

```
The sum is: 55
The sum is: 5050
```

The for loop

```
for (expr1; expr2; expr3)  
    statement
```

- **expr1, expr2, expr3** - any expression in the C language
- Statement:
 - **single** - one statement terminated by a semicolon
 - **compound** - one or more statements enclosed in braces



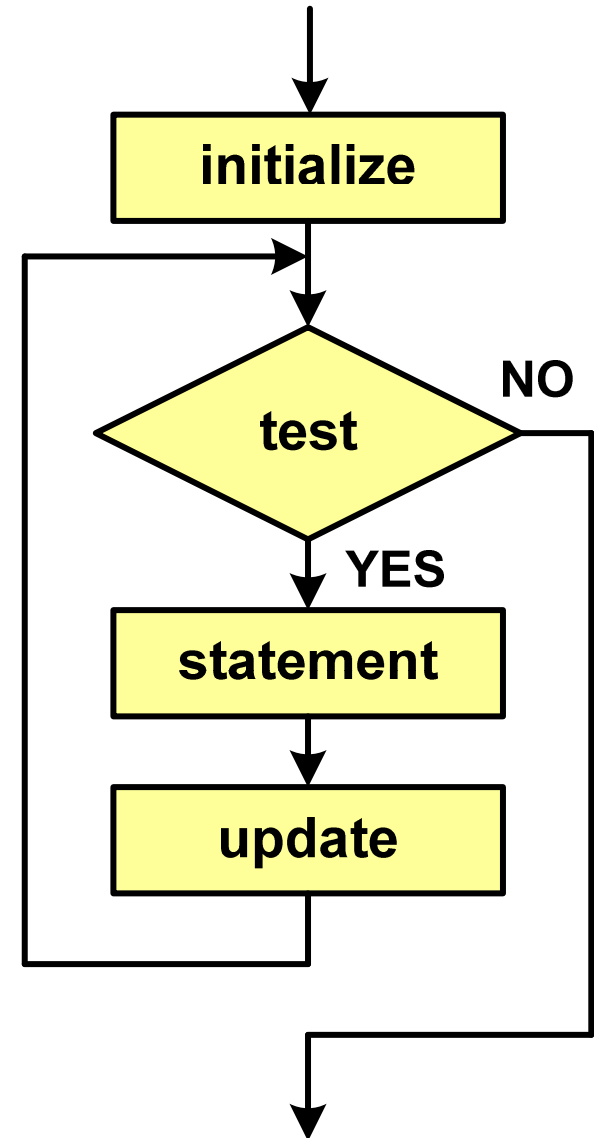
The for loop

- The most common form of the **for** loop

```
int i;  
for (i = 0; i < 10; i = i + 1)  
    statement;
```

- The instruction will be executed 10 times (for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 9$)
- Functions of expressions

```
for (initialize; test; update)  
    statement
```



Example: printing the text 5 times

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main(void)
```

```
{
```

```
    int i;
```

```
    for (i=0; i<5; i=i+1)
```

```
        printf("Programming is not difficult\n");
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
Programming is not difficult  
Programming is not difficult  
Programming is not difficult  
Programming is not difficult  
Programming is not difficult
```

The for loop (examples)

```
for (i=0; i<10; i++)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

```
for (i=0; i<10; i++)  
    printf("%d ", i+1);
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

```
for (i=1; i<=10; i++)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

The for loop (examples)

```
for (i=1; i<10; i=i+2)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

1 3 5 7 9

```
for (i=10; i>0; i--)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

```
for (i=-9; i<=9; i=i+3)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

-9 -6 -3 0 3 6 9

The for loop (break, continue)

- The following statements can be used in a for loop: **break**, **continue**

```
int i;
for (i=1; i<10; i++)
{
    if (i%2==0)
        continue;
    if (i%7==0)
        break;
    printf("%d\n", i);
}
```

1 3 5

- **continue** terminates the current iteration and proceeds to evaluate **expr3**
- **break** terminates the loop execution

The for loop (most common mistakes)

- Putting a semicolon at the end of the **for** loop

```
int i;  
for (i=0; i<10; i++);  
printf("%d ", i);
```

10

- Comma instead of semicolons between expressions

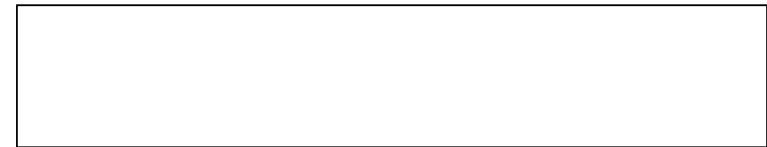
```
int i;  
for (i=0, i<10, i++)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

Compilation error!

The for loop (most common mistakes)

- Incorrect condition - no execution of the instruction

```
int i;  
for (i=0; i>10; i++)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```



- Incorrect condition - infinite loop

```
int i;  
for (i=1; i>0; i++)  
    printf("%d ", i);
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ...

Nested loops

- There may be another **for** loop as a statement in the **for** loop

```
int i, j;
for (i=1; i<=3; i++)           // outer loop
    for (j=1; j<=2; j++)       // inner loop
        printf("i: %d    j: %d\n", i, j);
```

```
i: 1    j: 1
i: 1    j: 2
i: 2    j: 1
i: 2    j: 2
i: 3    j: 1
i: 3    j: 2
```

- a common use for **nested loops** is to display data in rows and columns

The increment operator (++)

- The unary ++ operator increments (increases) the value of its operand by 1 (not allowed for expressions)
- The ++ operator can be either a prefix or a suffix

Notation	Mode	Meaning
<code>++x</code>	the prefix mode	the variable is changed before its value is used
<code>x++</code>	the postfix mode	the variable is changed after its value is used

The increment operator (++)

■ Example

```
int x = 1, y;  
y = 2 * ++x;
```

```
int x = 1, y;  
y = 2 * x++;
```

■ The order of operations

```
++x           x = 2  
2 * ++x      2 * 2  
y = 2 * ++x  y = 4
```

```
2 * x         2 * 1  
y = 2 * x     y = 2  
x++           x = 2
```

■ Variable values

```
x = 2    y = 4
```

```
x = 2    y = 2
```

The increment operator (++)

- The position of the ++ operator does not matter in the case of statements like:

```
x++;  
++x;
```

equivalent

```
x = x + 1;
```

- Do not use the ++ operator on a variable that appears more than once in an expression

```
x = x++;  
x = ++x;
```

- According to the C language standard, the result of the above statements is **undefined**

The decrement operator (--)

- The unary -- operator decrements (decreases) the value of its operand by 1 (not allowed for expressions)
- The -- operator can be either a prefix or a suffix

Notation	Mode	Meaning
--x	the prefix mode	the variable is changed before its value is used
x--	the postfix mode	the variable is changed after its value is used

Example: square root

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

int main(void)
{
    float x, y;

    printf("Enter number: ");
    scanf("%f", &x);

    if (x >= 0)
    {
        y = sqrt(x);
        printf("Square root: %f\n", y);
    }
    else
        printf("Error! Negative number\n");

    return 0;
}
```

```
Enter number: -3
Error! Negative number
```

```
Enter number: 3
Square root: 1.732051
```

Example: square root (the while loop)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

int main(void)
{
    float x, y;

    printf("Enter number: ");
    scanf("%f", &x);
    while (x<0)
    {
        printf("Error! Negative number\n\n");
        printf("Enter number : ");
        scanf("%f", &x);
    }
    y = sqrt(x);
    printf("Square root: %f\n", y);

    return 0;
}
```

```
Enter number: -3
Error! Negative number

Enter number: -5
Error! Negative number

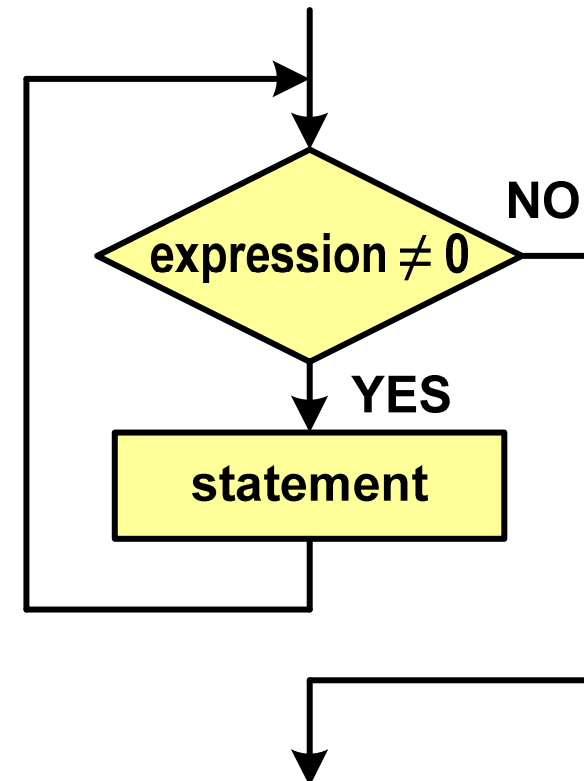
Enter number: 3
Square root: 1.732051
```

The while loop

```
while (expression)  
    statement
```

- "as long as the expression in parentheses is true, execute the statement"

- Expression:
 - **true** - when its value is different from zero (nonzero)
 - **false** - when its value is zero
- As an expression, a **logical expression** is most often used



The while loop

```
while (expression)
    statement
```

■ Statement:

- **single** - one statement terminated by a semicolon
- **compound** - one or more statements enclosed in braces

```
int x = 10;
while (x>0)
    x = x - 1;
```

```
int x = 10;
while (x>0)
{
    printf("%d\n", x);
    x = x - 1;
}
```

The while loop (break, continue)

- **break** and **continue** are jump statements

```
int x=0;
while (x<10)
{
    x++;
    if (x%2==0)
        continue;
    if (x%5==0)
        break;
    printf ("%d\n", x);
}
```

- **continue** terminates the current iteration
- **break** terminates the loop execution

The while loop (most common mistakes)

- Putting a semicolon after the expression in brackets causes an infinite loop - the program stops on the loop

```
int x = 10;  
while (x>0);  
    printf("%d ", x--);
```



- Lack of updating the variable also causes an infinite loop - the program prints the same value many times

```
int x = 10;  
while (x>0)  
    printf("%d ", x);
```

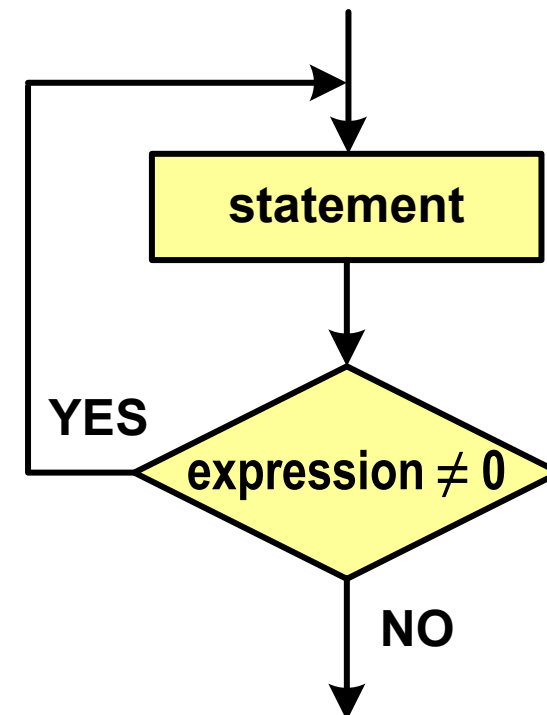
10 10 10 10 10 ...

The do while loop

```
do  
    statement  
while (expression);
```

- Expression:
 - **true** - when its value is different from zero (nonzero)
 - **false** - when its value is zero

- "execute the statement as long as the expression in parentheses is true"



The do while loop

```
do
    statement
while (expression);
```

- Statement:
 - **single** - one statement terminated by a semicolon
 - **compound** - one or more statements enclosed in braces

```
int x = 10;
do
    x = x - 1;
while (x>0);
```

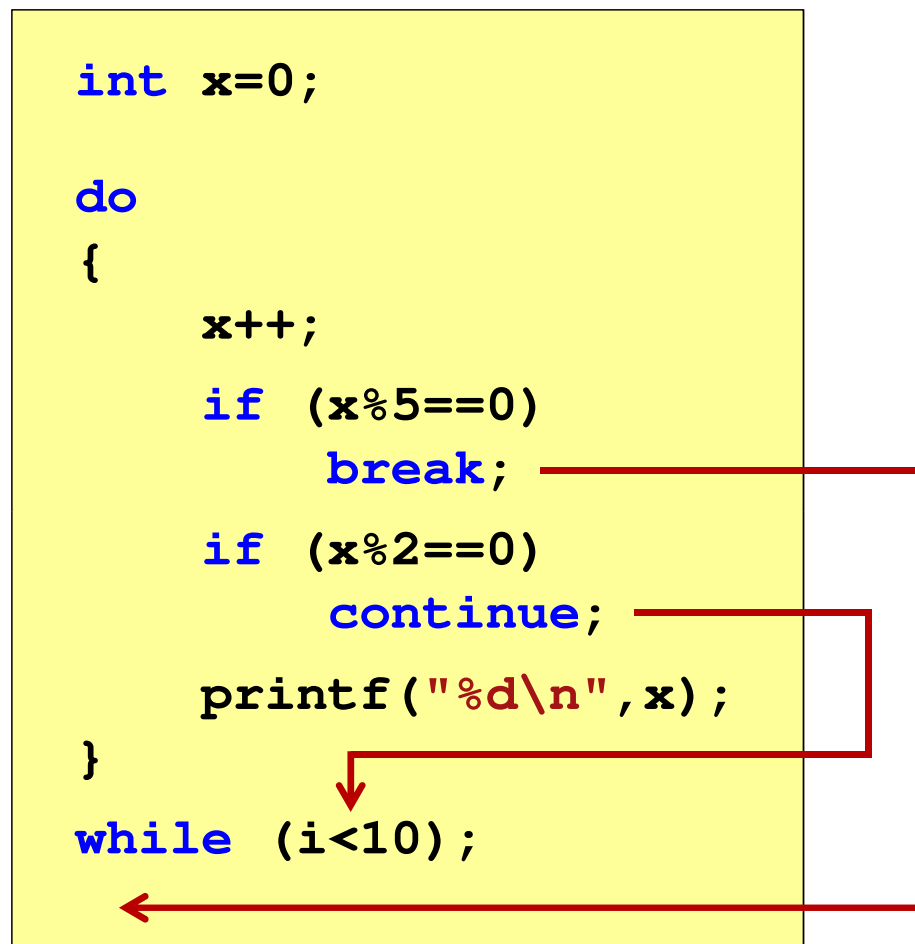
```
int x = 10;
do
{
    printf("%d\n", x);
    x = x - 1;
}
while (x>0);
```


The do while loop (break, continue)

- **break** and **continue** are jump statements

```
int x=0;

do
{
    x++;
    if (x%5==0)
        break;
    if (x%2==0)
        continue;
    printf ("%d\n", x);
}
while (i<10);
```



- **break** terminates the loop execution
- **continue** terminates the current iteration

Example: triangle with stars

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int i, j, n;

    do
    {
        printf("Enter number (1..15): ");
        scanf("%d", &n);
    } while (n<1 || n>15);

    for (i=1; i<=n; i++)
    {
        for (j=1; j<=i; j++)
            printf("*");
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

```
Enter number (1..15): -1
Enter number (1..15): 20
Enter number (1..15): 4
*
**
***
****
```

End of workshop no. 04

Thank you for your attention!